

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 8, 1943, by Block Bros., from Nashville, Tenn.

PRODUCT: 9 cases, each containing 35 pounds, of black walnut kernels at Buffalo, N. Y.

Examination showed that the product contained *Escherichia coli*, an organism which indicates pollution of fecal origin and, consequently, contamination with filth.

LABEL, IN PART: "Tennessee Belle."

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance.

DISPOSITION: April 4, 1944. Block Bros. having appeared as claimant, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The product was reconditioned by cleaning in order to remove all filth.

SPICES, FLAVORS, AND CONDIMENTS*

6556. Adulteration of chili peppers. U. S. v. 286 Bags of Chili Peppers. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 11593. Sample No. 53621-F.)

LABEL FILED: January 6, 1944, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 1, 1943, by Banco de Baja California, from the Republic of Mexico.

PRODUCT: 286 bags of chili peppers at Los Angeles, Calif.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent-chewed chili peppers.

DISPOSITION: January 15, 1944. The Chili Products Corporation, Ltd., Los Angeles, Calif., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

6557. Adulteration of chili peppers. U. S. v. 189 Bales of Chili Peppers. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 11593. Sample No. 53620-F.)

LABEL FILED: January 6, 1944, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about August 11, 1943, by Corriti Y Cia, from the Republic of Mexico.

PRODUCT: 189 bales, weighing approximately 55,115 pounds, of chili peppers, at Los Angeles, Calif.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent-chewed and insect-infested chili peppers.

DISPOSITION: January 20, 1944. The Chili Products Corporation, Ltd., Los Angeles, Calif., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

6558. Adulteration of chili peppers. U. S. v. 57 Bags of Chili Peppers. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 11643. Sample No. 53627-F.)

LABEL FILED: January 14, 1944, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: From on or about November 17 to December 11, 1943, by L. Martinez, from Douglas, Ariz.

PRODUCT: 57 bags of various weights, averaging 180 pounds, of chili peppers, at Los Angeles, Calif.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of moldy chili peppers.

DISPOSITION: January 24, 1944. C. L. Prats, doing business as Prats Chili Co., Los Angeles, Calif., having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of

*See also No. 6435.

condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency.

6559. Adulteration of chili peppers. U. S. v. 56 Bales and 60 Bags of Chili Peppers. Decrees of condemnation. Portion of product ordered released under bond; remainder ordered destroyed. (F. D. C. Nos. 10532, 12022. Sample Nos. 56046-F, 62927-F.)

LIBELS FILED: September 7, 1943, and March 14, 1944, Eastern District of Missouri and Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 6, 1941, and November 3, 1942, by Pee Dee Pepper Growers, Inc., Pamplico, S. C.

PRODUCT: Chili peppers: 56 bales, weighing 86 pounds each, at New York, N. Y., and 60 bags, each containing 76 pounds, at St. Louis, Mo.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the New York lot consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of larvae, insect excreta, and rodent excreta; and the St. Louis lot consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of moldy peppers.

DISPOSITION: April 15, 1944. The David G. Evans Coffee Co., St. Louis, Mo., claimant for the St. Louis lot, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. The product was denatured and sold for use as poultry and stock feed. On June 27, 1944, the claimant for the New York lot having withdrawn its claim and answer, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

6560. Adulteration of chili peppers. U. S. v. 220 Bales of Chili Peppers. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 11912. Sample No. 61442-F.)

LIBEL FILED: February 28, 1944, Western District of Texas.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 3, 1943, from Mexico.

PRODUCT: 220 unlabeled bales of chili peppers at San Antonio, Tex., in possession of the Southern Transfer & Storage Co.

The product was stored under insanitary conditions after shipment, and the wrappings of the bales were rodent-gnawed and bore rodent excreta. Examination of samples showed that the product was rodent-gnawed and contaminated with rodent excreta.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: March 20, 1944. The Gebhardt Chili Powder Co., San Antonio, Tex., having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The unfit portion was segregated and destroyed.

6561. Adulteration of chili pods. U. S. v. 650 Pounds of Chili Pods. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. Nos. 11437, 11438. Sample Nos. 58304-F, 58305-F.)

LIBEL FILED: December 16, 1943, Western District of Texas.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Portion shipped on or about January 2, 1942, by J. Mares, from C. Jaurez, Mex.; remainder shipped on or about February 5, 1943, by Alois Beal from Mesilla, N. Mex.

PRODUCT: 4 bags, containing 300 pounds, and 5 bags, containing 350 pounds, of chili pods at El Paso, Tex.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of (300 pounds) larvae, insect excreta, mouse pellets, and moldy pods, and (350 pounds) insect excreta and moldy pods.

DISPOSITION: January 12, 1944. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.